

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
EXTERNAL AFFAIRS  
LOK SABHA**

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DEPUTATION OF OFFICERS IN UNITED NATIONS AGENCIES  
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**Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Government is deputing Indian experts abroad under the Indian Technical and Economic Co-operation Programme of the Ministry of External Affairs;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the norms followed by the Government for the deputation of officers with the United Nations and its allied agencies?

**Answer**

THE MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI S. M. KRISHNA)

(a) to (b): The Ministry of External Affairs has been deputing Indian experts abroad under the Indian Technical and Economic Co-operation Programme. Presently, 40 Indian experts are on deputation in Cambodia, Ethiopia, Guyana, Grenada, Lao PDR, Lesotho, Mauritius, Mongolia, Mozambique, Namibia, Nauru, Uganda and Seychelles.

(c): As and when the Government of India receives vacancy circulars from the United Nations for specific positions/ posts, these are forwarded to the concerned Ministries/ Departments for seeking nominations. The nominations received from the concerned Ministries/ Departments are then forwarded to the United Nations. The selection of the candidates is done by the UN based on their internal criteria.